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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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October 29, 2003

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Examiner's Restriction Requirement dated October 1, 2003, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-referenced application.

**Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this response.**

**Remarks begin on page 26 of this response.**